

Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1-9 (Cancelled).

10. (Currently Amended) A method for proliferating or regenerating renal tissue or a cell present in renal tissue by contacting granulocyte colony-stimulating factor (G-CSF) in an effective amount for said regeneration, with the renal tissue or the cell present in renal tissue wherein the renal tissue is in a state of nephropathy or atherosclerotic nephropathy.

11. (Currently Amended) A method for treating a renal disease in a patient with diabetic or atherosclerotic nephropathy in need of said treatment, comprising

administering to said patient an effective amount of a ~~colony stimulating factor (CSF)~~ (G-CSF) as an active ingredient in an amount effective or sufficient for the treatment of diabetic or atherosclerotic nephropathy.

12-15 (Cancelled).

16. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 11 wherein the renal disease is diabetic nephropathy, and the effective amount is sufficient for the treatment of diabetic nephropathy.

17. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 11 wherein the renal disease is atherosclerotic nephropathy, and the effective amount is sufficient for the treatment of atherosclerotic nephropathy.

18. (Currently Amended) A method for repairing/regenerating renal tissue in a state of diabetic or atherosclerotic nephropathy, comprising administering an effective amount therefor of (G-CSF) as an active ingredient.

19. (Cancelled).

20. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 10, wherein the renal tissue is an injured kidney, a necrotic kidney or a resected kidney.

21. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 20, wherein the kidney is a kidney injured by a drug or necrosed by insufficient blood flow.

22. (New) The method of claim 10, wherein said effective amount is based on the G-CSF itself.

23. (New) The method of claim 11, wherein said effective amount is based on the G-CSF itself.